

PREMIUMS FOR GOOD ROADS.

The Oregon Business Men's Association Offers \$100 for Good Roads.

The Oregon business men want better roads leading to our city, and to encourage those living along the highways leading into Oregon, at a meeting of their association Monday evening, offered \$100 in premiums—three prizes for the best road made by dragging.

First, to the person or persons making and caring for the best mile of road, fifty dollars.

Second, to the person or persons making and caring for the next best mile of road, thirty dollars.

Third, to the person or persons making and caring for the third best mile of road, twenty dollars.

The above offers shall be limited to roads made and cared for by the King drag, or a similar drag.

The above prizes shall be awarded only for roads, upon which Oregon Rural Free Delivery Mail Routes are established or roads within one and a half miles thereof, and no prizes shall be awarded for any road not included within seven miles of Oregon, Missouri.

The said premiums shall be awarded during the month of April, 1906. And shall be awarded by a judge to be selected by the Oregon Business Men's Association, the said judge to be a recognized authority and expert upon the question of good roads and who shall be a non-resident of the territory included in the terms of this road contest, and in awarding prizes the proportion of the amount of work required to make such road shall be considered by the judge.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of May, 1905.

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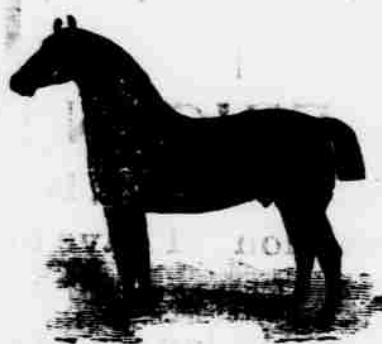
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Wanted to Buy HORSES.



I will be in Oregon, on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1905, to buy your good, fat horses. Will pay the highest market price. Bring in your good ones.

H. C. MAXWELL.

Charles Crawford is Hanged.

Charles D. Crawford, who in his life's story claims to have resided in our little city, a number of years ago, was hanged at Elk River, Minn., Tuesday of last week, December 5, 1905. He was convicted of the murder of a traveling companion in a box car. Crawford said he had lived in St. Joseph and that his father was a physician, known by the name of Crawford and Walters. That he had only a faint recollection of his father, but that he remembered his mother. His father and mother separated when he was a child and he was left to shift for himself. Every effort was made by the St. Joseph authorities to find person—who knew him while in St. Joseph and here, but were unable to find any one who knew him.

Crawford never saw or heard of his mother after she and his father had separated, until a few days before he was hanged. He then received a letter from a minister in Minneapolis, saying that a woman he believed to be his (Crawford's mother) had called on him. The murderer begged that she be kept away. He declared that he did not want to see her—that he was ready to die and that he didn't want to see any of his relatives.

Internal Revenue Ruling.

Druggists who sell patent medicines known to contain alcohol have been given until April 1, 1906, to take out government retail liquor dealers' licenses of \$25 per annum. Some time ago Commissioner Yerkes of the internal revenue department issued an order to collectors to require the payment of this tax on or before December 1.

Because chemists have not yet completed the testing of all proprietary remedies offered for sale, the time for taking out licenses has been extended. Frank Siemens, deputy internal revenue collector of St. Joseph, received notice from Collector Roberts last week not to proceed with prosecutions under the law before April 1. The notice gives the names of 11 patent medicines which have been tested, and which druggists are forbidden to sell without license.

The ruling by Commissioner Yerkes also will put a stop to the sale of patent medicines by peddlers. They will not be permitted to sell remedies for "chills and fevers," under any circumstances. It is the intention of the department to call a halt in the promiscuous sale by vendors of malts, tonics, and other beverages which contain alcoholic stimulants. Druggists and grocers alone will be permitted to offer such stuff for sale, and then only after taking out retail licenses.

Talking Clocks.

A new variety of clocks now made in Europe speaks the hours instead of striking them, through an ingenious application of the phonograph. Many nervous people who object to the strident and often harsh sounding bells proclaiming the hour and half hour will appreciate a softly modulated voice announcing the time.

The French inventor has made clocks with speaking disks of various kinds to serve as alarms. You can be awakened by the vigorous crowing of a cock or the sound of a well known voice. They are arranged to call out in various degrees of modulation, some loud enough to rouse the heaviest sleeper.

As alarm clocks, they should, in time, supersede all others, for the disks can be changed as often as necessary, so that the sleeper will not become so familiar with the call as to sleep on, which often happens in the case of the ordinary clocks with bells. If a boy is awakened out of his slumbers by a loud call to "Wake up!" or "Time for school!" uttered in the familiar voice of his mother or father he is much more apt to heed it than an ordinary alarm bell.

Exchange.

Life a Century Ago.

One hundred years ago a man could not take a ride on a steam boat.

He had never seen an electric light or dream of an electric car.

He could not send a telegram.

He couldn't talk through the telephone.

He could not ride a bicycle.

He couldn't call in a stenographer and dictate a letter.

He had never heard of the germ theory or worried over bacilli and bacteria.

He never heard a phonograph talk, or a kitescope turn out a prize fight.

He never saw through Webster's unabridged dictionary with the aid of a Roentgen ray.

He had never taken a ride in an elevator.

He had never seen his wife use a sewing machine.

He couldn't take an anesthetic and have his leg cut off without feeling it.

He had never seen a reaper or a self-binding harvester.

He had never crossed an iron bridge.

—Handsome wedding invitations were printed at this office, last week, announcing the marriage of Miss Anna S. Kramer, daughter of Fred Kramer and wife, of Hickory township, to Ulysses G. Weigel, a son of Aug. Weigel, of Nodaway township, next Wednesday evening, Dec. 30, 1905.

—Orville Broyles and Robert Ducate, of St. Joseph, were the guests of W. E. Simmons and wife for a few days, this week. Mrs. Simmons is an aunt of Mr. Broyles.

Tutt's Pills

After eating, persons of a bilious habit will derive great benefit by taking one of these pills. If you have been

DRINKING TOO MUCH,

they will promptly relieve the nausea,

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and nervousness which follows, restore the appetite and remove gloomy feelings. Elegantly sugar coated.

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Forest City.

—Mrs. Genet is on the sick list.

—Miss Mary Kaul was in St. Joseph, Saturday.

—T. Timmons, of Kansas City, is here on business, this week.

—Rev. W. A. Haynes, of Skidmore, was in the city, Tuesday.

—Mrs. Fredericks visited the Murray home in Maitland, Friday.

—Mrs. Everson and Miss Minnie Wyllie were in Oregon, Monday.

—Mr. Connor has accepted a position in the Press office as printer.

—John H. Noland was transacting business in Oregon, Saturday.

—Lon Dively and wife left Monday by wagon for Southwest Missouri.

—Rev. L. M. Brummett is holding a series of meetings at the Kinsey school house.

—Misses Lena and Madge Boyd were the guests of relatives in Oregon, Saturday.

—James Duke and Nick Stone, of Fortescue, were in the city, trading, Monday.

—Mr. Williams was compelled to remain at home several days with a very sore eye.

—O. D. G. Gelvin and wife attended the funeral of Mrs. Murray, of Maitland, Tuesday.

—Sam Randall, of St. Joseph, was in the city, Monday, on business, and the guest of relatives.

—Rev. Clark will fill his regular appointments at the Baptist church, Sunday, morning and evening.

—Misses Maud Baker, Mary Terry, May Baker and Mrs. Smith were visiting friends in Napier, Sunday.

—The Methodist Sunday school are preparing to have an entertainment at the church Saturday evening, Dec. 23.

—Mr. Watson and wife and Bert Everson and wife visited the Fitzmaurice home, north of town, Monday night.

—Mrs. Minnie Boyd and Mrs. Emma Moore were in Hiawatha, Kansas, this week, called by the death of Mrs. Ella Amann.

—John Carson drew an excellent lot at the lot drawing at Tyro, Kan., the 5th. He returned Friday, telling of the oil wells on the new town site.

—The many friends of Mrs. Alkire will be pleased to learn she is convalescing, and hopes are entertained that she will regain her usual health again.

—All trains are running on the new railroad now. The old railroad track has been taken up and work of moving the old grade over to the new grade to complete the double track is being rapidly pushed.

—A stranger was killed on the railroad, two miles south of town, Sunday night. His limbs were broken and skull crushed into a pulp. No marks of identification being found on his person, so it is reported. The railroad company turned the body over to Holt county for inquest, held at Forest City. The county, after the same, turned the remains over to the Eosworth hospital, of St. Joseph. Verdict of jury, "The unknown met death by being struck by a train."

RUTH.

—We are sorry to learn that Eppa Cropp, mail clerk on the Chariton & St. Joe. R. P. O., is sick again, having been confined to his home for several weeks with the rheumatism. His wife has just recovered from a severe attack of diphtheria. We hope that Eppa will soon be able to be up and resume his run again.

MONTANA MAN'S DOG WOLF

Species of Canine That Is Tame, Yet Partakes of the Wild in Looks.

I was smoking my pipe in the cabin of an old timer who lives on Muddy creek in southeastern Montana when I happened to look out of the window and saw an animal pass by that for a moment I took to be a red wolf, relates a writer in Forest and Stream.

I said to the old man: "What have you got out there?" and he replied: "Yes; I am glad you spoke about that; I wanted you to see them pups."

Then, while we walked out of doors, he told me that he had a litter of six pups, half gray wolf and half ordinary domestic dog, and that he had two of these puppies still about the house, the other four having been given away.

The wolflike animal, with four or five other dogs, was standing near a wagon close to the house, and when called galloped cheerfully to us, wagging its tail and twisting its body, and thrust its nose into the hand of each of us, seeming to enjoy the pats and caresses that it received. In color it was reddish, somewhat the color of the summer coat of a deer, yet hardly so bright; there was more of a brown in it. On the tail the hair lay parallel to the skin and did not stand out as it does on the brush of a fox or the tail of a wolf or coyote. On the other hand, the shape of the creature was that of a gray wolf, which it also equaled in size.

These pups are great thieves, and things have to be kept out of their way or they will steal them. They cannot bark. Sometimes they appear to try to do so, and break out into a regular wolf howl.

WHAT MIKE'S FOREMAN DID

As Concisely Described by Mike Himself for the Benefit of Jury.

One of Eddie Foy's stories relates to his experiences as a juror. It illustrates the value of precise expression.

"When I was on the jury," says Foy, "one of the cases I heard was that of a laborer against the employer in whose foundry he had been injured. The foreman of the foundry testified, and then the attorney for the plaintiff called Michael Shea.

"Mike," inquired the lawyer, "do you know the gentleman who has just left the stand?"

"Sure I do."

"What does he do at the foundry?"

"He's the foreman."

"What are his duties as foreman?"

"Well, I don't know, sor."

"Surely you know what the foreman's duties are," said the barrister.

"You work under him, don't you?"

"Yes. He's me boss."

"Well, then. He draws pay for being your boss, and he must do something to earn that pay. Now, what does he do?"

"Mike scratched his head for a moment, looked at the ceiling, and then, a smile coming to his lips, he answered: 'What does he do? Well, sor, we do what he tells us—that's what he do.'

"And with this definition of the duties of a foreman we were compelled to be content."

HONOR OF THE CHINESE.

Englishman from China Gives His Opinion of the Sly Celestials.

"Chinamen are, as a rule, very honorable in business matters; but it must not be taken for granted that integrity is universal with them," said Mr. H. M. Lakin, of Shanghai, according to an exchange.

"I have lived in the orient for many years, and have had extensive dealings with all sorts of eastern people. There is a saying that a Chinaman's word is his bond, and this is very true from the fact that it is a rare thing for them to make any other than a verbal contract. So it happens that what a celestial tells you he will do will be performed in a great majority of cases. The fact remains, however, that you've got to pick your man in China just the same as in any other country. Ah Sin has his counterparts in his native land, and every European over there can tell you of his experiences with tricky Chinamen.

"I do not believe that a Chinaman is any more honest than his fellow-man of other nationalities, as is shown by the vast amount of grafting which permeates the social and political life of the empire. The individual Chinese business man is straight in his dealings largely because it is a matter of necessity."

Monkey with Spectacles.

In the Breslau zoological garden there is a spider monkey which was operated upon for cataract and now wears glasses. For more than a year after it was received at the zoo it was very healthy and lively, then it became very quiet, ceased to play, and crouched in a corner. It was examined and found to be suffering from cataract, so was immediately taken to the eye hospital and operated upon. In less than a month it was fitted with a pair of spectacles, which it wears with becoming gravity.

The Waiter's Mistake.

The waiter in the cafe of the downtown hotel did not mean to be rude. The mistake was purely a social error.

"What will you have next, lady?" the waiter asked, with the courtesy that becomes a waiter.

"Don't address me as 'lady,'" demanded the guest, with some show of irritation.

"Excuse me, ma'am," replied the waiter, "but all of us is liable to make mistakes."—San Francisco Chronicle.